to be made good by throwing back cultivation. It is suggested, therefore, that orders may be issued to confine the reserve to the limit originally fixed.

Dewan's reply.—Such cases must be very rare, and are fit subjects for representation in each individual case which the Deputy Commissioner will be able to dispose of on its merits.

Subject No. 177.
Clandestine hypothecation of lands.

Summary of discussion.—It is suggested that persons who hypothecate lands clandestinely to two or more individuals without letting each of them know of the transactions with the others should be punished criminally.

Dewan's reply.—The Penal Code punishes cheating.

Subject No. 178.
Grant of certain Amrut Mahal kavals in Arkalgud Taluk for cultivation.

Summary of discussion.—In the Arkalgud Taluk 7 out of 9 Amrut Mahal kavals were relinquished by the Amrut Mahal Department. Of these, two, *viz.*, Kendinne and Gubbibore were reserved for State Forest and Plantations. The other five were divided into convenient survey numbers and sold by public auction. Thus, there were 450 survey numbers measuring 2,550 acres which sold for Rs. 5,800. The raiyats who purchased them are now paying about Rs. 1,800 as kandayam for this year. Formerly, when the kavals were in charge of the Amrut Mahal Department, the income therefrom are understood to have been about Rs. 150 only in the shape of Kaddi Kavalgutta. Their resignation by that Department and grant to raiyats for cultivation has thus proved profitable both to Government and raiyats. It is therefore suggested that two more kavals, *viz.*, Kenneri Kaval (about 1,100 acres) and Koratagere Kaval (about 1,500 acres) may be similarly made available for cultivation as these also are not required for the Amrut Mahal cattle which do not stay there for any considerable length of time in grazing.

Dewan's reply.—The Amrut Mahal Officer and the Deputy Commissioner will be consulted.

Subject No. 179.
Belur Amildar should be invested with powers under Act XIII of 1859.

Summary of discussion.—At present cases under Act XIII of 1859 arising in the Belur Taluk have to be taken to the Amildar of Manjarabad Taluk. It is requested that the Amildar of Belur may be invested with the necessary powers to take cognizance of these cases.

Dewan's reply.—As a rule, only officers who are fit to be entrusted with 2nd Class Magistrate's powers can be trusted to deal with cases under Act XIII of 1859. It has not hitherto been possible to send a 2nd Class Magistrate to the Belur Taluk.

Subject No. 180.
Branch Police Station required within Arkalgud Fort.

Summary of discussion.—A branch Police Station should be located within the Fort at Arkalgud.

Dewan's reply.—The Inspector General of Police will be asked to see to this.